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Body found on Chesil Beach thought to be missing man

A LAND and sea search for a missing Weymouth man has ended with the discovery of a body on Chesil Beach.

Dorset Police say that at 2.10pm on Saturday, December 31st a body was found in the water off Chesil Beach.

It is believed to be that of Adeel Sajid from Weymouth who had last been seen at around midday on Thursday, December 29th.

His next of kin have been informed of this development and the coroner has been notified.

Both the Weymouth RNLI lifeboats were launched at 1pm on Friday, December 30th to take part in the search.

The inshore lifeboat searched from Balaclava Bay to Portland Bill, back to Portland Harbour and up into The Fleet. The all-weather lifeboat completed a shoreline search from Portland Bill down the West side of Portland and along Chesil Beach as far as Abbotsbury.

The Coastguard Helicopter and Coastguard search teams from Wyke and Portland Bill were also involved in the search searching the Rodwell Trail, a large area of The Fleet and The Ham.

A spokesman for Dorset Police said: "The body was recovered and is believed to be that of Adeel Sajid from Weymouth who had last been seen at around midday on Thursday, December 29th.

Mr Sajid, aged 34, of Pakistani origin, was last seen at an address in Roundhayes Close at around 12.10pm on Thursday.

He is described as five feet seven inches tall with short greying hair and a black greying beard. He was wearing a blue jacket, blue jeans and a blue hat.

Olympic sailors are awarded New Year's Honours

A NUMBER of Weymouth and Portland's Olympic sailors have been honoured by the Queen in her New Year's Honours list.

An MBE has been awarded to Portland-based Hannah Mills and her sailing partner, Saskia Clark, who won Gold at last summer's Rio Olympics in the women's 470 dinghy class.

Also honoured with an MBE was Weymouth Sailor, Giles Scott, who won Gold at Rio in the Finn Class.

All were honoured for their services to sailing.

Other Dorset residents awarded New Year's Honours included Dorchester Paralympian Paul Blake, butterfly conservationist Dr Martin Warren, and Dorset Police officer Chris Smith.

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SALLY Vaughan has lived in Bridport for eight years and does a variety of different jobs, including teaching ukulele in local primary schools, providing music workshops for people of all ages and abilities across the region, PA work and is currently working on a new community theatre production called 'FLEA!'.

She is originally from Derbyshire and went to Leeds Polytechnic (now Leeds Beckett University) to study speech therapy and then later went on to do a qualification in primary education at Oxford Brookes University, embarking on a 12-year career as a primary school teacher.

Sally moved to Bridport in 2008 and started working for the ambulance service, working as an emergency care assistant on the ambulances for four years before making a return to teaching.

She has become involved with many community groups, including co-founding the Bucky-Don'ts ukulele group, which ran up to 2015.

● TELL us more about FLEA! and how did it come about?

FLEA! is a community theatre production that anyone can get involved in. We are auditioning throughout January and there will be six performances of the show at the Electric Palace in Bridport at the end of May. It's about a flea circus and we need lots of people; actors, singers, ukulele players, circus acts and also all the behind the scenes people like technicians, set builders, prop makers, caterers, costume makers... everything.

I first had the idea about four years ago. At that time I was doing a lot of ukulele teaching and community group performances and I started to think it would be great if the instrument were combined with other forms of performance. I was particularly inspired when I saw the 'No Limits' dance group - a group for the disabled run by Anna Golding.

The key fact that people need to know is that the word ukulele means 'jumping flea' in Hawaiian - because the fingers are said to look like little fleas jumping when they pluck the strings. This made me think about doing a Dance of the Jumping Flea.

I knew a local composer called Andrew Dickson who has written music for many community plays and films and theatre. He really liked the idea and said he wanted to write a community play based on it, so he did. Before long the whole idea had grown into a story about a flea circus with dancers and acrobats and singing and music and even dogs! It's an absurd and whacky story with something for everyone - not just ukulele players. The music is original and very beautiful and visually it promises to be vivid and quite a spectacle.

It is going to be directed by Niki McCretton who runs The Lyric Theatre in Bridport and BACstage theatre group at Bridport Arts Centre.

It's taken over three years to get the project off the ground because we needed to raise funds but we have now managed to do that and we can finally get the show on the road.

We are inviting anyone who is interested to come along to a Public Launch event at The Bull Hotel, Bridport on Thursday, January 5th at 7pm. There we will showcase some of the songs and explain everything about the project and how people can get involved. You can also write to us at info@ukuleleopera.org,uk to register your interest and find out more.

● WHAT inspired you to play the ukulele?

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When I was a primary school teacher I used to play guitar in the classroom. When I left teaching I realised the one thing I really missed was not having a reason to pick up an instrument everyday and play for fun. One Christmas, about eight years ago, my niece was given a uke as a present - she was only three years old and was more interested in playing with the box, so I picked up the uke and within an evening i'd got to grips with the basics.

Also, at that time, the Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain were becoming very well known and I really loved their act. Ironically, one of the members of that group, Hester Goodman, has since come to live in Bridport and she is going to be taking the lead role in FLEA! as the ring mistress.

● TELL us a bit about the story of FLEA!

The show tells the tale of the fall and rise of Madame Celine (the devious ring mistress of the circus), her sidekick Vladimir (a white-faced clown with dubious intentions), and the journey of young Grub. Grub is a young flea who goes from star struck naivety to ukulele mastery. Basically though it is a story about the power of small over huge, of simplicity over celebrity and proving that musicality is in all of us and that the so called X Factor is available to everyone. Overall, it draws attention to the notion that it is often the little things in life that turn out to be the big things.

● ARE there any plans to start another ukulele group?

I do one small group for adults at the moment, and the show is going to keep me busy for the next few months, but I do hope to be able to do more groups for children.

● DO you have any more productions in the pipeline?

No, we really just want to do a good job of this one and make sure everyone has a great time doing it, whatever their role in it… and of course we want to delight audiences. Like any circus, though, it does have the potential to travel, and who knows, future productions in other locations might very well take shape.

● WHILE with the ambulance service, what did your role involve?

I was an Emergency Care Assistant for four years and that involved assisting paramedics and driving front-line ambulances.

It was a fascinating job and I really got to see how people react under life threatening situations and cope with chronic and severe illness, a real eye opener and very humbling.

I did find the night shifts particularly difficult though, and the anti social working hours meant that for me it was impossible to get continuity in my life. I learned an enormous amount though.

■ See the Ukulele Opera ad on page 4

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Leisure centre birthday open day

PORTLAND'S Osprey Leisure Centre will be celebrating its 10th anniversary with an open day on Saturday, January 14th.

The former navy sports centre was taken over by the South Dorset Community Sports Trust Ltd in 2007.

Ten years ago the centre had 35,000 visitors in the first year and unsupportable utility and machine servicing costs.

Since then a programme of energy savings has been carried out with the top priority including a new heat-retaining cover for the pool, low energy lighting, new chemical dosing and the installation of solar panels on the roof.

Gradual upgrading continued and with the arrival of the 2012 Olympic Games funds became available to install three new gym areas and a café in the reception foyer. In turn visitor numbers increased and now the centre attracts over 100,000 visitors each year.

Nigel Williams, General Manager of Osprey Leisure Centre said: "Applying for grants and financial support is essential to the ongoing success of the Leisure Centre. The centre is used by people of all ages from babies learning to swim through to people who enjoy the Young at Heart group, some users even being well into their 80s. There will be a selection of sporting activities throughout the day to watch and participate in. It is fantastic that we have been given the opportunity to host the day and make it so special for us and the whole community. Entry is free all day and everyone is welcome."

During the open event members and non-members will be invited to have a tour around the facilities, try out some new activities and enjoy refreshments in the Café. Events will start at 10am and will go on into the evening. Entry will be free with live bands from 6pm, a Hog Roast, Pizza, Bar and evening Fireworks at 8pm, weather permitting.

Litter droppers to face tough new fines

PEOPLE who drop litter, including cigarette ends, in Weymouth and Portland will face £75 fines.

The campaign to clean-up the borough will be launched by Weymouth & Portland Borough Council in January. A dedicated team of officers will begin patrols and will have the power to fine anyone caught dropping litter, allowing their dogs to foul or spraying graffiti.

Councillor Francis Drake, Community Safety brief holder at Weymouth & Portland Borough Council, said: "It is not acceptable to drop cigarette ends, chewing gum or other litter, it costs the council thousands of pounds each year to clear it up.

"We know residents want firm action taken against litter louts and irresponsible dog owners, which is why we are launching these patrols."

Councillor Christine James, Social Inclusion brief holder at Weymouth & Portland Borough Council, said: "We are launching the campaign in January, so anyone who drops litter can make a New Year's resolution to stop and if they don't they'll face a hefty fine. You have been warned!

"The patrol officers will be providing advice where giving fixed penalty notices is not appropriate."

The scheme is a pilot project and may be introduced permanently after seeing how it works.

The patrol officers are employed by a specialist environmental enforcement company, who have powers to issue offenders with fixed penalty notices.

If approached by a Patrol Officer, offenders will be asked to provide their name, address and proof of identity. Failure to comply could result in a criminal prosecution, which carries a fine of up to £1000, together with a criminal conviction. The officers will wear body cameras.

The Patrol Officers will also be targeting business owners who fail to make sure that rubbish is stored and disposed of correctly.

WEYMOUTH and Portland Mayor, Councillor Richard Kosior, visited Weymouth lifeboat station on Christmas day to pass on his best wishes to the volunteer crews of the RNLI lifeboats.

Fish n Fritz treat for families

A WEYMOUTH fish and chip shop has helped bring some festive cheer to two poorly children with the help of Julia's House and Weymouth BID.

After successfully working with Julia's House Children's Hospice earlier in the year on their Chip Shop Challenge, Paul Hay from Fish n Fritz asked what else he could do to help. With the aid of Laura Kelly, Community Fundraiser for Julia's House, they arranged for two local families to enjoy a fish and chip dinner in the restaurant at Fish n Fritz followed by ice skating on Weymouth's real ice rink courtesy of Weymouth BID.

Ben Marsh and Marley Symes both enjoyed a fantastic day out in Weymouth.

Mr Hay said: "After working with Julia's House I wanted to do some more and this seemed like the ideal way to do something nice."

MARLEY Symes and family

BEN Marsh and family with Simone Leanne

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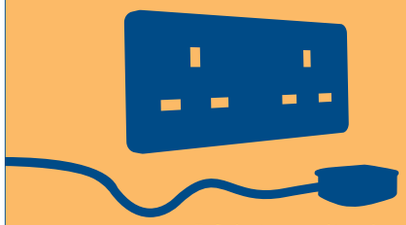

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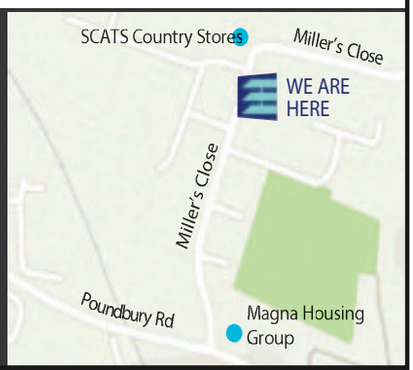

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Views sought on proposals to protect public areas from anti-social behaviour

NEW legal orders could be brought in to tackle anti-social behaviour in parts of West Dorset – if enough people ask for it.

A public consultation has been started by West Dorset District Council, which will continue until March 15th.

Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs) are being considering for anti-social drinking, aggressive begging and the feeding of gulls. A similar consultation is also being held over dogs.

Councillor Alan Thacker, West Dorset District Council's Executive Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Access, said: "These consultations are a great opportunity for West Dorset residents and visitors to have their say on the best way forward for PSPOs in the area.

"It's important for as many people as possible to take part in these two consultations as the responses will help councillors make more informed decisions."

For more information and to have your say on the dog-related PSPOs, visit: dorsetforyou.com/west/your-say-dogs

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Following the completion of the consultation period, reports will be produced and presented to Overview and Scrutiny Committee in mid-2017.

The committee will then make recommendations which will be taken to the district council's executive committee.

Unemployment figures increase

WEST Dorset's unemployment figures have increased by 17 per cent – a much larger increase than in other parts of the county.

But despite the percentage gain the actual rise only involved 55 people.

The figures for job-hunters claiming benefits in November, the latest figures available, show West Dorset at 375 (up 55, 17 per cent) and Weymouth and Portland 570 (up 15, three per cent).

Benefits advice on offer

A SERIES of benefit advice sessions are being held in Dorchester, Weymouth and Portland over the coming weeks.

They have been organised by the Dorset Welfare Benefits Partnership to offer impartial advice.

In Dorchester the sessions will operate on the fourth Thursday in each month, between 9am and 12.30 pm at Age UK Dorchester. To make an appointment, contact Age UK Dorchester on 01305 269444. The next dates are January 26th January and February 23rd.

On Portland the service is offered on the second Tuesday of each month, between 10am and 12.15pm at Island Community Action, and will be by appointment only.

To make an appointment contact Island Community Action on 01305 823789. The next dates are January 10th and February 14th.

Weymouth sessions will operate on the second Thursday in each month, between 9.30am and 11.30am at Weymouth Community Safety Centre (new fire station), Radipole Lane, Weymouth, DT4 0QF, and will be by appointment only.

To make an appointment please contact Age UK Dorchester on 01305 269444. There will be no session in January and the next will be held on February 9th.

ROLL UP! ROLL UP!

UkuleleOpera presents 'FLEA!'

A spectacular circus-themed community theatre production to be staged in Bridport

Written by Andrew Dickson; directed by Niki McCretton

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Queen's honours for Dorset residents

By Trevor Bevins

A DORSET PC, the head of Butterfly Conservation and locally-based Olympic sailors are among those named in the New Year's Honours.

Dr Martin Warren, Chief Executive of Butterfly Conservation, based at Lulworth, received the OBE.

He has studied butterfly ecology and conservation for more than 30 years, including a PhD on the Wood White at Cambridge University. He joined Butterfly Conservation in 1993 as the first conservation member of staff and was appointed as Chief Executive in February 2003. In 2004 he helped found Butterfly Conservation Europe and was appointed as the first chairman.

He has published more than 300 scientific papers and reports and is co-author of several books. BBC Wildlife Magazine has voted him one of Britain's top 10 conservationists.

He frequently leads volunteer groups for Butterfly Conservation and is a frequent speaker to local support groups.

An MBE went to Portland-based Hannah Mills and her sailing partner, Saskia Clark, who won Gold at Rio in the women's 470 dinghy class.

Also honoured with an MBE was Weymouth Sailor, Giles Scott, who won Gold at Rio n the Finn Class. All were honoured for their services to sailing.

Receiving a Queen's Police Medal for his work on road safety was Dorset Police Constable PC Chris Smith, a police driving and motorcycle instructor.

Working with Dorset BikeSafe he coordinates and delivers lessons while mentoring other riders.

PC Smith is an Institute of Advanced Motorists Examiner and Mentor and sits on the National Strategy Group. He also runs Biker-Down events in Dorset alongside the DocBike rider, which teach life-saving skills to riders in the event of a crash.

PC Smith has also acted as a family liaison officer for 13 years.

A statement from Dorset Police in the name of Chief Constable Debbie Simpson said: "Chris embodies all that is good in the police force. His devotion to others stands as an example to us all.

"Through his actions, countless others have lived and we all owe him a massive debt of gratitude.

If you have a story email trevor bevins@gmail.com

DR martin warren. Photo courtesy of Butterfly Conservation

DORSET PC Chris Smith receives a Queen's Police Medal

Paralympian honoured with MBE

PARALYMPIAN gold medallist Paul Blake has been recognised in the Queen's New Year's honours list by being awarded the MBE.

The middle distance runner, who turns 27 later this month, followed up his silver and bronze at London 2012 by winning gold and silver in Rio last summer.

The award came as a surprise to the Dorchester athlete, as the original letter advising him that he was a possible recipient, was sent to an old address.

It wasn't until early December when he received a phone call from the British Paralympic Association that he knew of the honour.

Mr Blake, who attended school in Lyme Regis, said: "The first I knew was when the BPA media office e-mailed me saying they had an unusual request and asking me to confirm my contact details urgently.

"I was told to ring the Cabinet Minister; I thought there was a problem and that maybe I was in trouble. She told me they had been trying to contact me for ages, but that she was pleased to advise me I had been awarded the MBE.

"I thought wow! I was a complete shock really. It tops off the year for me. I trained really hard, and was pleased to win a gold and silver, but this really tops it all."

View From sport reporter Stuart Broom, who has followed Blake's career from early beginnings and was responsible for obtaining early sponsorship for him, said: "It couldn't happen to a nicer person than Paul.

"He is the most modest, polite and unassuming person you could ever wish to meet, and despite early setbacks with lack of sponsorship, he has never complained. His dedication has been exemplary, and even when he has received knockbacks with injuries and the odd poor performance, he has always been optimistic.

"He fully deserves this award, as do all the other honoured paralympians when you consider their situation and what levels they achieve."

Mr Blake (pictured above with his gold medal in Rio 2016) was back in training on Monday (January 2nd) after a Christmas break, where his first event of the New Year will be the Birmingham Indoor Grand Prix next month, before he runs in Dubai in the spring.

Although he hasn't made a decision whether to aim for Toyko 2020, he will be competing in the IPC World Championships in London in July, where he will be dropping the 800m and concentrating on the 200m alongside his strongest distance, the 400m.

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THE Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) has launched their Clinical Services Review to reorganise health services in light of funding cuts, a growing population, staffing difficulties and the variable quality of care across the county.

The healthcare organisation predicts a shortfall of £158million a year by 2020 and wants to change the way healthcare is provided in order to use resources as efficiently as possible and minimise cost growth for it to be sustainable in the future.

Their ambitions are for services to be organised around residents, supporting people to stay well and take care of themselves, deliver care closer to home, integrate teams of professionals working together and centralising hospital services.

Hospitals

UNDER the proposals, Dorset County Hospital will become a planned care and emergency hospital; Poole Hospital and Bournemouth Hospital will become either a major emergency hospital or a major planned care hospital – the consultation will help decide which hospital is designated which – *see table, below left.*

Community hubs

COMMUNITY hubs will provide a joint health and social care team approach to caring for patients.

They will allow residents to have outpatient appointments outside of acute hospitals – *see table, right.*

Bridport Community Hospital and Weymouth Hospital would become community hubs with beds, Portland would be a community hub without beds, as well as Dorchester County Hospital, which would also be an acute hospital.

Westhaven Hospital in Weymouth will not be used as a community hub; services based there will be moved to other hubs.

Mental health services

THE consultation does not cover acute mental health services or primary care services – those based in and around GP surgeries, pharmacies, opticians and dentists.

The CCG is leading a separate review of acute mental health services with service users, the voluntary sector, Dorset Police and NHS providers.

Primary Care Commissioning Strategy and Plan

THIS contains plans for the way primary care services might be organised in the future.

It reports that: "GPs and their teams have developed and adapted their individual practices well over time but a wider reaching strategy is now required to stretch beyond the boundaries of individual practices and better address the current challenges".

The CCG want to create an integrated GP model.

There are 15 GP practices across 20 locations in West Dorset, Weymouth and Portland and the CCG says that there is potential for one group of general practices to deliver services to the population through a reduced number of locations, either through a federation, network of practices or super-practice.

One possible model highlighted by the CCG is to reduce the number of locations delivering this care.

The CCG has stressed that it cannot make GPs merge with others and it is a decision doctors will make.

Strategic Transformation Plan

THIS sets out how the CCG will address a list of national priorities and contains information about how Dorset is responding to them.

Integrated community services

THE CCG's Consultation Document explains the options for change, including: "**Integrated community services** means bringing together primary care, acute hospitals (secondary care) community and voluntary services and social care to provide services around the patients.

"This involves teams including GPs, nurses, therapists, consultant doctors, social workers and community mental health nurses, working together across traditional organisational boundaries."

The document continues: "One way that we could help to join-

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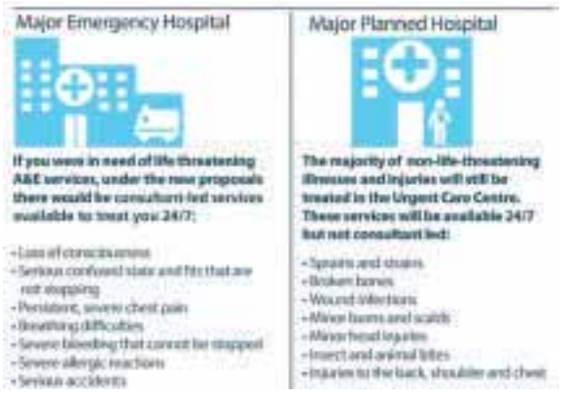

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consultation gets under way

up and improve health and care services in the community for local people is by creating what we are calling community hubs.

"Community hubs provide a joint health and social care team approach to caring for patients, particularly the elderly and frail.

"They will allow you to have outpatient appointments outside of acute hospitals and closer to home. Care is provided by an extended multidisciplinary team with health and care staff working together from a single central location.

"Advantages include:

- longer opening hours for urgent primary care;
- local access to diagnostic tests and scans;
- economies of scale as the service could not be provided in every NHS location within available resources and need a minimum number of patients each day in order to be cost effective."

Options

THERE are currently 13 community hospitals – most with beds – and 97 general practices providing care in 131 sites.

The CCG believes that there is the potential to deliver better care closer to people's homes using community teams through a series of community hubs.

The CCG has looked at 15 possible options for where there may be community hubs – *see the map on the opposite page*

Opposition

HOWEVER, there has been some opposition to the proposed changes. Concerns include the distance patients would have to travel in an emergency, bed closures and worries that key decisions have already been taken before the consultation period ends.

Michel Hooper-Immins, chairman of the Weymouth & Portland Health Network, comments: "The decision to designate Bourne- mouth as the 'major emergency hospital' for Dorset is badly thought out.

"Located where it is, nearer Christchurch than Bournemouth and five miles from the far eastern county boundary, it is a long way from Weymouth and Dorchester.

"I would rather the proposed investment be split with our excellent Dorset County Hospital, so that South and West Dorset have timely and equally good access to excellent healthcare – within reasonable travelling distance.

"It is proposed that an unspecified number of patients, including some heart attack and stroke patients, will be taken to Bournemouth rather than Dorchester.

"Clinicians tell me the 'golden first hour' is vital to stabilise the patient and to begin reversing the damage.

"There are many reports of ambulances taking up to an hour to arrive in this area and added to another hour driving to Bournemouth, means a considerable delay – which some patients may not survive.

"The local South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust (SWAST) manager told the Weymouth & Portland Health Network at our December meeting, that there is a 10 per cent cut in budget next year, which must seriously affect already shaky ambulance response times.

"Based on that evidence, I predict the Ambulance Service will be unable to deliver Weymouth and Portland patients in a timely manner to Bournemouth.

"This is a serious flaw in Dorset CCG's planning, which needs rethinking, another reason to invest in Dorset County Hospital.

"Another matter of concern to me is the proposed closure of inpatient beds at Westhaven and Portland, a total of 50 recuperation beds.

"The CCG proposes to replace them by only 40 beds at Weymouth Community Hospital, a net loss of 20 per cent.

"Given the current 50 community beds are nearly always fully occupied and there is a waiting list, cutting 10 beds is bad news for local patients.

"I am told that more patients will be treated at home or in the community, but that does not work well at the moment, apart from the outstanding DCH 'Hospital at Home' service.

"Patients are discharged from hospital with assurances of occupational therapy, physiotherapy and dietary advice at home, but it just does not materialise.

"Treating patients at home must be a good idea, but I have no confidence it will actually happen. Many patients tell me they think all the decisions have already been made, that this consultation is merely a paper exercise and it's all already decided.

"I have been assured several times by the Dorset CCG that they value public opinion and the views of the public will be taken into account when decisions are being taken.

"So let's take the CCG at their word and have a big response from the public. If later, the CCG elect to ignore public opinion, then there will be an amazingly big row and calls for CCG officers and clinicians to consider their futures!

"I do compliment the CCG on their distribution of the consultation document, which is widely available. However, the document is long and you have to read between the lines to assess what is being proposed."

Meanwhile, David Tett, a governor of Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, has urged residents to respond to the consultation, saying it was 'imperative'.

He said: "With a short fall of £8.5 million in the Dorset NHS funding, challenging times will remain for many years! However, there is no reason whatsoever why one should not respond to the consultation now being conducted on the Clinical Services Review.

"It is imperative and in one's own interests that you pick up a copy of the Consultation document from your local doctors' surgery, complete it and send it back to the address stated by the February 28th at the very latest. The onus is on you to 'shout now or for ever hold your peace'.

"From my own personal view point, I have several reservations on the options on offer.

"Firstly, having two acute hospitals next door to each other in the east of the county, leaves less adequate cover for those residents living in the west.

"Secondly, I think the Clinical Commissioning Group is being over optimistic in its travelling times to both Bournemouth and Poole.

"Thirdly, the ambulance service is being stretched to capacity, and there is a prime example of a young footballer with two fractures of the leg having to wait four hours to get to Poole Hospital; moreover, its own budget will be cut.

"There are, I am sure, many other issues of concern, and whilst accepting one has to cut the garment to the cloth it has, I sincerely hope and urge everyone to respond to the Consultation document and have their say on the future provision of healthcare services in Dorset."

● Visit your local doctor's surgery or *www.dorsetvision.nhs.uk* for your copy of the Consultation Document and the accompanying questionnaire

DAVID Tett, a governor of Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

MICHEL Hooper-Immins, chairman of the Weymouth & Portland Health Network

PUBLIC consultation events will be taking place across Dorset throughout January, in which staff from the healthcare community will be on hand to answer questions.

An event will take place at Bridport Town Hall on Monday, January 9th, between 2pm and 8pm; Dorford Baptist Church in Dorchester on Thursday, January 12th, between 2pm and 8pm; and Easton Methodist Church in Portland on Tuesday, January 24th, between 2.30pm and 8pm.

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HUNDREDS of swimmers braved the cold sea of Weymouth Harbour for the annual Christmas Day swim organised by local Lions. Pictures courtesy of Dorsetbays

WEYMOUTH'S Christmas Day swim has been hailed a great success with a record 398 taking part.

This year, organisers the Lions introduced an online registration and some 300 took up the opportunity, which was a great help in processing swimmers on the day.

Among those taking part were Weymouth and Portland Mayoress, Caroline Churchill, who raised £1,500 alone for her two chosen charities, MV Freedom and The Merchant Navy Association.

Also taking part was a team from the Weymouth Lifeboat Station.

Lifeboat station fundraiser Teresa Drage was joined by five other woman from the station crew members and the partners of fellow crew members. The team raised £400.

The final amount raised has not yet been counted.

As well as sponsorship money, Lions also received numerous donations including a cheque for £115 from one gentleman for the Lions' Charity Fund.

CHRISTMAS Day swimmers take the plunge

LIFEBOAT crew do the Christmas Day swim

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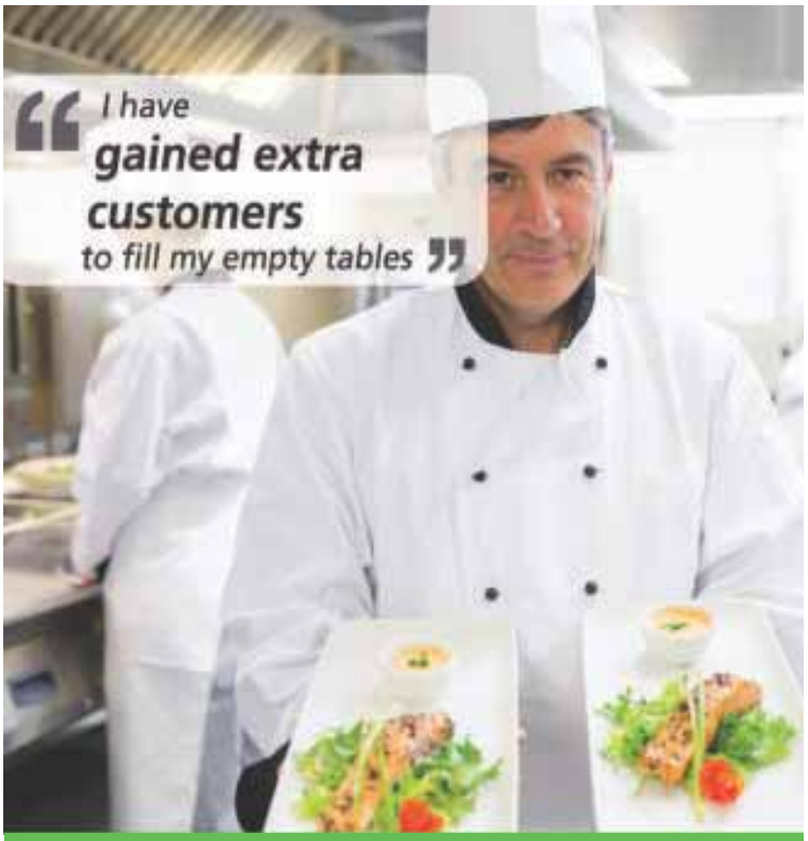

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Magna boost for animal rescue centre

STAFF from Magna Housing have donated £160 to Taylor's Animal Rehoming Centre, thanks to funds raised from their monthly lottery.

The Magna's Employee Lottery is a monthly lottery run internally, which gives staff a chance to win money and raise cash for charities of their choice.

Five local charities, including Taylor's, have each received a donation from Magna.

Taylor's Animal Rehoming Centre is the West Dorset branch of the RSPCA, based at Kingston Maurward in Dorchester.

Tess Every, centre manager at Taylor's, said: "We have to raise all of our funding ourselves. The majority comes from sales from our local RSPCA charity shops, but the rest relies on fundraising in the community. We're really grateful for all the donations we receive.

"The money Magna has donated has come at a very useful time for us. We will use it to neuter the litters of kittens we have before they can be rehomed in time for Christmas."

Take steps to finding a lighter and brighter you

'A LIGHTER and brighter me' is how Slimming World member and consultant, Moira Summerfield from Portland, feels after losing 2.6 stone in 16 weeks.

Halfway in her weightloss journey, Moira achieved Slimming World's "Club 10" milestone, which has significant positive changes to your health, by losing 10 per cent of your bodyweight and therefore significantly reducing your BMI.

Until now Moira experienced yo-yoing weight loss and then much larger gain not helped by having an under-active Thyroid since a child. She was referred to a dietician size 16 at 12-years-old. Bereavement, unhealthy relationships and separation, all were contributing anxiety and weight gain factors giving chest pain, swelling, panic attacks breathlessness going up the stairs, which saw Moira end up in A&E resulting in a angiogram procedure.

With numerous health conditions, Moira was referred by her GP to Live Well Dorset; Moira opted for a 12 week plan with Sue Glenn's Slimming World group in Portland.

Moira soon noticed the positive and visible changes and has already dropped two dress sizes. She has now re-gained her self confidence and found the support from the group's enjoyable "Image Therapy", where over a cuppa with friends made there, Slimming World supports you, motivates and inspires for sustainable great weight loss. Moira was also been voted by her group members for weight loss "Miss Slinky" and is attaining Platinum Body Magic by building up the confidence to start and build in regular exercise.

Training as a Consultant, Moira is very much looking forward to opening Slimming World's new group at "STEPS" 110 Chickerell Road, Weymouth near Asda, every Saturday at 9am from January 14th 2017.

She said: "I feel passionately about supporting fellow Slimming World members, I remember how upset and in denial I was when I was referred by the GP. It was daunting going to my first group and I was not a happy bunny. But I found it to be friendly, supportive and inspiring, soon realising a lot of people were going through similar experiences.

"It sounds somewhat clichéd but it has given me confidence to take the "STEPS" to turn my life around and I definitely feel a lighter and brighter me."

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"It's also a good idea to talk over weight-loss or exercise programmes with a body specialist such as a chiropractor, who can advise you how to avoid putting the pounds back on and make sure your exercises are appropriate for your goal. Lots of patients tell us they want to get fit – but the first thing we ask them is 'fit for what'?"

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BIN OR KEEP? THE 2016 WELLBEING TRENDS WE WANT TO STICK AROUND

by Abi Jackson, Press Association

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WATERMELON - We all carried a watermelon in 2016. Well, those of us who got in on the emerging watermelon juice/water trend did. Yep, move over coconut water (not completely - you're still in pretty high demand), watermelon quenched our thirst and then some this year, topping up our vitamin and potassium levels and aiding in muscle recovery (thanks to its L-citrulline contents) in the process.

VERDICT: Keep. It's tasty, simple and a refreshing (no pun intended) addition to the, arguably over-saturated, 'healthy drinks' market.

HYGGE - OK, the fact snuggling up somewhere cosy and candlelit, with a soothing hot chocolate or glass of red, makes us feel good is hardly groundbreaking. But it was only this year we officially found a name for the cosy good life's happiness-inducing magic: Hygge. It's always been a way of life for the Danes, and this autumn saw it snuggle into our everyday vocabulary too.

VERDICT: Keep! Simple, feel-good and basically achievable every day. What's not to love?

SEAWEED - First came 'courgetti', and then 2016 saw an incoming tide of seaweed 'pasta'. There's a lot going for it: it's sustainable, easy to farm, highly nutritious, gluten-free and low-cal - if a tad salty.

VERDICT: Keep - BUT it's currently too expensive to make it onto our regular shopping lists (expect to pay almost £6 for a 100g bag, while you can easily get a 500g bag of real pasta for £1).

FLAVOURED NUT BUTTER - The nut butter aisles got a LOT more interesting this year, with palm oil-free brands like Pip and Nut bringing us delights such as Honey Cinnamon Cashew Butter and Coconut Almond Butter. Omega-3 and protein-packed goodness and added flavour.

VERDICT: Keep! And Pip & Nut have just announced they're launching 1KG tubs... Happy New Year!

CLEAN EATING - Nobody's really sure what it means... Is it just healthy, proper food all made from scratch, no additives etc?! But, haven't people been doing that for, um, ever? And does it only count as 'clean eating' if you post it on social media? Maybe we're missing something but, either way, it's smug, and ain't nothing wrong with a good 'ol dirty burger every once in a while.

VERDICT: Bin. #PleaseStop

WAIST TRAINING - The Kardashians could post selfies of themselves drenched in cow dung and somebody (read: many) would give it a go, so of course, when they start posting snaps of themselves sporting waist trainers - basically super-tight corsets - and even working out with them on, cue a flurry of copycat attempts to get 'waisted'.

VERDICTS: Bin. Sticking the word 'trainer' in the title doesn't change what it is. A corset doesn't promote fat loss or muscle tone. It just squashes you (and your organs).

SAUNA SUITS - Always thought the priority with fitness attire was to keep you cool and comfortable during those sweaty workouts? Khloe Kardashian took the opposite approach this summer however, when she shared snaps of herself working out in a 'sauna suit'. The clue's in the name: these 'sweat suits', as they're also known, are designed to make you heat up and perspire more.

VERDICT: Bin. Anything that perpetuates the idea it's OK to do daft things in a bid to lose weight fast is just not good. Plus apparently, it's just promoting water loss, which isn't the same as fat loss.

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What is on your New Year's resolution list?

HAVE you decided on what your New Year resolutions are going to be? No, me neither.

The trouble is you start out with the best of intentions but often fall by the wayside, so perhaps this year I'll pick some I really stand a chance of sticking to.

How about slowing down your life a bit? I'm constantly being told I should take things a bit easier. The only thing is that, if I do, then jobs will take longer to do or not get done at all and I'll feel guilty and work twice as hard to catch up, so that seems to be a non-starter.

What about a slightly healthier lifestyle with more walks and exercise? Also a nice idea but how do you fit it all in if you lead a busy life which I do. Still, it is a possible.

Then there are all the usual suspects. Drink less and eat less – yeah, like that's going to happen!

Or perhaps try and thin out all the things being uselessly hoarded in the loft. That actually is a good idea....provided I can get my wife's permission. The niceties must be observed and I don't want to set myself up for a trip to A & E by rooting out and giving away something which turns out to be one of her prize possessions.

So that's sorted out then. My resolution is to clear out the loft a bit. Happy New Year to you all....and I'll probably see you in A & E!

Weymouth Matters

A personal View by HARRY WALTON

Watch out litter bugs!

WATCH out you litter bugs. A special patrol is out to get you -- and about time too!

A dedicated team of officers started patrols this month with the power to fine offenders £75.

Dropped cigarette butts, chewing gum, sweet papers and fast food detritus will all be grist for their mill.

Officers will be wearing body cameras to back up their enforcement and they will also be keeping an eye on businesses which don't ensure their litter is properly stored and disposed of.

They will also have the power to require people to provide their name, address and proof of identity with a warning that refusal to comply could lead to prosecution, a £1,000 fine and a criminal conviction.

The pilot project, which uses patrol officers from a specialist environmental enforcement company, could become permanent if successful.

I think it is one of the best ideas for a long time to help improve Weymouth's environment and it is so simple.

Ordinary people who do the decent thing and dispose of their rubbish properly have nothing to worry about, but those who don't care about the environment and chuck away their cigarette packets and crisp bags are due for a nasty and long overdue shock.

My only hope is that it is extended right across town because I for one am fed up to the back teeth with picking up other people's rubbish moronically discarded in my front garden.

THIS week's Growing Old Disgracefully looks at how elderly people are planning for the year ahead.

Well for a start off they'll be hitting the New Year sales to pick up a mankini or a nice one piece bathing suit printed in early deckchair stripes.

Both will be necessary to kiss goodbye to this country's miserable winter for as long as possible on a nice holiday to somewhere hot where you don't get shot, kidnapped or robbed the moment you step outside the hotel.

Once the English Spring and summer appear then it will be time for a quick promenade along Weymouth's seafront or a drive in the mobility scooter to see how many tourist feet they can run over in a single morning. Always good fun that!

All too soon it will be autumn, flu jabs and a shivering need to turn the central heating up to hothouse levels before winter bites for the start of the bingo season. Then it's Christmas and time to do it all again. Simple really.

Season for peace and goodwill

THEY both rolled about on the pavement, first one man on top and then the other, each throwing a flurry of punches.

Members of their respective groups finally pulled them apart amid a volley of "f-words" much to the amusement of a group of three scantily clad giggling young women wearing tinsel who were propped up in a nearby doorway smoking cigarettes.

At the same time and just a few yards away, delivery men had to pause their work while a drunken man lurched his way past them, the earlier fight then breaking out again.

But this wasn't late night Saturday mayhem in Weymouth. Astoundingly it was 6.10am on Christmas Eve morning. What's more, shopkeepers in early to accept their final delivery of the festering season told me I had missed the best bits.

One said: "There was a lovely punch-up earlier, blokes and women. This is quiet now."

The two men who had been trying to punch seven bells out of each other in this "quiet" period had again been separated, so I went and collected my turkey, ham, sausages and bacon.

But I wasn't stupid enough to leave for the walk back to my car. Oh no! I stayed put until it was safe.

I didn't want to lose our Christmas dinner by getting mugged. After all, it was the dangerous season of peace and goodwill!

Lifeboat carols

THE volunteers of Weymouth lifeboat crew lined the deck of the RNLI all- weather lifeboat, Ernest and Mabel, and a crowd of hundreds of well wishers gathered at Weymouth harbour side for the RNLI lifeboat annual carol service.

The service was conducted by Janet Hall from Holy Trinity Church with music provided by the Salvation Army Band. Bible readings were given by Weymouth lifeboat station President, Rob Michael, and the Mayor of Weymouth & Portland Councillor Richard Kosior.

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Knightley is Landlocked

IN 2014, Show of Hands acclaimed frontman Steve Knightley set out on a mission to play 150 village halls and 'untapped' grassroots community venues. The 'Grow Your Own Gig' tour drew on his treasure trove of songs of the English countryside. Then in 2015 he turned his attention from the land to the sea for his 'All At Sea' tour of maritime venues.

Songs from both shows were recorded and two albums, 'Off the Beaten Track' and 'All at Sea' emerged. In 2017 he will be embarking on his 'Landlocked' tour. One half of the evening will feature original and traditional songs of the land, and the second half will draw on his nautical themes. Steve is a previous winner of Best Original Song at the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards.

Steve Knightley plays live at Bridport Arts Centre on Friday, January 27th at 7.30pm.

Tickets are £17, available by calling 01308 424204 or by visiting the website at www.bridport-arts.com

Steve Knightley

The jokes are on Jessica

Dorset born comedian to perform at Bridport Comedy Cafe

LAUGH your way into the New Year with the return of the Bridport Comedy Cafe next week.

The long running comedy cafe night at the Bridport Arts Centre is returns next Wednesday with critically acclaimed BBC Radio 4 regular Jessica Fostekew headlining this month's show.

Originally hailing from Dorset, Fostekew is an intensely funny fireball of fun who combines storytelling with great gags as well as anyone on the circuit. Fostekew last headlined the comedy cafe back in 2011 but is now back and better than ever with a wealth of new material.

As well as a talented live performer, Fostekew has also written for everything from Mock the Week to Have I got News For You, is a regular contributor to BBC Radio 4's 'The Now Show' and is a familiar face on TV as an actor.

Opening the show will be the multi award-winning Phil Cooper. One of the most unique new voices on the circuit, Phil Cooper can turn the most mundane of occurrences into comic gold. Delivering surreal observations on everything from the moon landings to his own childhood in the Welsh valleys.

Fastly becoming a television star in his native Wales it surely won't be long before Phil is also a familiar face on our TV screens.

Completing the line up will be the mysteriously named 'Alf', a laugh a minute comedy performer who combines wacky one liners, surreal ideas and mind boggling props. A uniquely talented act who gives a delightfully innocent and hysterically funny take on the world around him.

As ever, completing the line up will be regular local comic Niki McCretton and resident compere Tom Glover.

The BAC Comedy Cafe will be at 8pm on Wednesday, January 11th. Tickets are £8 adults/£6 concessions and available from the arts centre box office on 01308 424204.

Jessica Fostekew

Arturo to conduct Allington Strings

ARTURO SERNA conducts the Allington Strings in a programme of light classical favourites including Pacelbel's *Canon*, Bach's *Double Violin Concerto*, Mozart's *Divertimento no 2*, Mendelssohn's *Sinfonia No1*, Gershwin's *Love Walked In*, and Percy Grainger's *Mock Morris*. Tickets £10 (under 18s free) available on the door or in advance from Bridport Music.

The concert takes place at Sir John Colfox Academy, Ridgeway, Bridport DT6 3DT, on Sunday, January 15th at 3pm. For more details call 01308 897133

Arturo Serna

Boogie Bob

BOB HALL, a poll-winning, internationally famous blues piano master, together with his partner Hilary Blythe, an outstanding folk, blues and gospel performer are performing at Bridport Arts Centre Jazz Cafe on Friday, January 13th.

Critically acknowledged as Britain's finest blues and boogie pianist, Bob Hall's distinctive and original piano style has influenced generations of piano players and left a lasting legacy. He first came to fame in the rhythm 'n' blues explosion of the sixties, as a founder member of The Groundhogs. Other blues stars he played and recorded with at that time included Alexis Korner, Peter Green and Spencer Davis.

Bob pursued his passion for the blues and acted as accompanist to a host of touring bluesmen including John Lee Hooker, Howlin'Wolf, Little Walter, Jimmy Witherspoon, Chuck Berry, Lightnin' Slim, Lowell Fulsom, Charlie Musselwhite and Sonny Terry.

In 1991 and 1993 he won the British Blues Connection Instrumentalist of the Year award.

The Bob Hall Show is pure enjoyment, full of energy and enthusiasm. Much credit for this must go to Bob's long-time partner, Hilary Blythe, whose crystal-clear harmony vocals and rock-steady bass playing underpin all his performances.

No Bob Hall show would be complete, however, without the anecdotes: a lifetime of music, together with a passion for the minutiae of American folk and blues history, has left Bob with a host of yarns, some true and some apocryphal, which can be guaranteed to raise a smile.

Bob Hall plays at the Bridport Arts Centre Jazz Cafe on Friday, January 13th at 8pm. Tickets are £10, available online at www.bridport-arts.com or by calling 01308 424204.

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Seeking people to join a 'Thoroughly Modern' musical production

LYME REGIS Musical Theatre held their first rehearsal last night (Tuesday, January 3rd 2017) for their forthcoming production of *Thoroughly Modern Millie*.

Most of the main parts have been cast and they have a terrific line up. However, help is needed to fill couple of vital roles, and add to chorus numbers.

Both men and women are required, and no previous experience is necessary, however, if you can dance, or sing in tune, that is a bonus!

The group rehearses every Tuesday and Thursday at 7.30pm in the Church Hall, Lyme Regis.

If you are interested in joining, you can simply just turn up, or contact the Secretary, Lorraine Knowles on 07791 874316 for any further information regarding the show, which will performed in the Marine Theatre from May 9th to 13th 2017.

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WEDNESDAY JANUARY 4TH

BRIDPORT: Talk by David Boag. "Photographing Nature More Creatively". 7.30pm Chancery House, Bridport, DT6 3JT. The club is always happy to welcome new members. For details please phone the Club Secretary on 01308 482658.

WEDNESDAY 4TH - WEDNESDAY 25TH JANUARY

LYME REGIS: New Year's Art Sale! Begin 2017 by treating yourself to an affordable piece of art created by local artists who regularly exhibit in the Malthouse and Courtyard Galleries at Lyme Regis's Town Mill. You'll be able to choose from a wide variety of subject matter and media, 2D and 3D, on display in this annual show. Open daily 10.30-4.00. Free admission. The Malthouse and Courtyard Galleries, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU www.townmillarts.co.uk

THURSDAY JANUARY 5TH

DORCHESTER: The next meeting of the West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship at 2pm in the Boys Brigade Hall, Sawmills Lane, Dorchester DT1 2RZ when Tony Tester will give a talk on Uganda Conservation. The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship was set up over 30 years ago for retired employees of the Health Service and their partners living in Dorset and meet on the first Thursday of every month except August and December. In addition to the monthly meetings, we have coach outings, a theatre trip and Christmas lunch. New members welcome. Contact 01305 261676 or 785546 for further information.

FRIDAY JANUARY 6TH

WEYMOUTH: Charity Jazz Night for the British Legion. Royal Dorset Yacht Club, 11 Custom House Quay, Weymouth. 8:30 - 11:00pm. Tickets £10 available on the night or in advance from the yacht club or by calling on Jenny on 07854 500 839. No need to be member to attend!

BRIDPORT: Celebrate Twelfth Night with entertainment from Tinker's Cuss Band and the Symondsbury Mummers at Bridport Town Hall, from 7.30pm. In aid of Bridport Millennium Green. Tickets £7 (members £6) to include seasonal food and drink, from Sue Wilkinson, 01308 425037.

SATURDAY JANUARY 7TH

BRIDPORT: Bridport Ceilidhs starts the New Year with a bang - and The Chris Toyne Band plus caller Gill Spence. Forget the Christmas pies, get out the dance shoes and come along to Church House (St Mary's) Hall, South Street, DT6 3NW. Bring and Share finger food supper, with some soft drinks provided; bring your own beer/wine and make a party of it. Doors open 7.15 for 7.30 - 11pm dance. Tickets £9 on the door, but cheaper in advance at £8 from "The Music Shop", South Street, "The Lime Tree" Deli, West Street, or online; or book by phone on 01308 423 442 or email monty3dayslate@yahoo.co.uk. See the website for more details and how to buy online: www.bridportceilidhs.wordpress.com

BRIDPORT: Potato Day at United Church Hall, East Street, 10am-1pm. Pennard Plants will be there with their 60+ varieties of heritage seed potatoes plus a great selection of heirloom fruit tress and bushes, flower and vegetable seeds. A must for the gardener's calendar. Organisers also provide a wonderful array of refreshments so that visitors can take their time in making their purchases and make the most of the opportunity in sharing gardening experiences with the experts from Pennard plants and also of course fellow local gardeners. Potato Day, as well as providing local gardeners with an invaluable resource, is also a very successful fundraiser. This year organisers will be giving proceeds to RAFT (refugee aid from Taunton). Dorset Wildlife Trust will also be holding an information stall. For more info call Jude 01308 456528

MONDAY JANUARY 9TH

BEAMINSTER: Moviola presents 'Absolutely Fabulous the movie' at Beaminster Public Hall. Doors 7pm, film 7.30pm. Tickets at Yarn Barton (01308 862715) weekdays 9.30-12.30, and Saturdays 9.30-1pm. Or call 01308 861746. £5 in advance, or £5.50 on the door.

BURTON BRADSTOCK: Biondanza at Othona. Express, Connect, Relax! Dance like no one's watching, no steps to learn, no partner needed, uplifting world music and holistic health benefits. For all ages from 19 to 90. 7.15pm for 7.30pm. Join in bimonthly with teacher Julia Hope-Brightwell (Jewell). Cost £8 (Cons avail). Othona Community, Coast Road, Burton Bradstock DT6 4RN. Contact Robin 01308 897 130 / biodanza-bridport.co.uk

BRIDPORT: Bridport Folk Dance Club meets at 7.30-9.30 pm in the WI Hall, North Street, Bridport. Enjoy folk dancing mainly in the English tradition from Playford-style to modern-day compositions at Bridport's long-established weekly club, with club callers and recorded music and frequently on last Mondays of the month live music with guest callers. No partner or previous experience required. Membership available giving admission at £2.50, otherwise £3.00. Contact Jane on 01308 898 002 or Monty on 01308 423 442. (Also on 16th, and 23rd)

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 11TH

DORCHESTER: Evergreens Cinema showing 'GI Blues' starring Elvis Presley. Cinema lights will dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits served £1.50. Ice creams also available. At Age UK Dorchester. For more details call 01305 269444.

SUNDAY JANUARY 15TH

BRIDPORT: Allington Strings New Year Concert at 3pm at Sir John Colfox Academy, Ridgeway. Arturo Serna conducts the Allington Strings in a programme of light classical favourites including Pacelbel's Canon, Bach's Double Violin Concerto, Mozart's Divertimento no 2, Mendelssohn's Sinfonia No1, Gershwin's Love Walked In and Percy Grainger's Mock Morris. Tickets £10 (under 18's free) available on the door or in advance from Bridport Music.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 18TH

EYPE, NEAR BRIDPORT: West Dorset Decorative & Fine Arts Society lecture. 'The Story of Sutton Hoo Ship Burial' speaker Mark Cottle. At Highlands End Leisure Centre, 2.30pm. For more details call 01297 443615.

THURSDAY JANUARY 19TH

BRIDPORT: Bridport & District Gardening Club meeting at the Women's Institute Hall, North Street, 7.30pm. Speaker Chris Ireland-Jones on 'Bulbs for All Seasons'.

MONDAY JANUARY 23RD

BURTON BRADSTOCK: Biondanza at Othona. Express, Connect, Relax! Dance like no one's watching, no steps to learn, no partner needed, uplifting world music and holistic health benefits. For all ages from 19 to 90. 7.15pm for 7.30pm. Join in bimonthly with teacher Julia Hope-Brightwell (Jewell). Cost £8 (Cons avail). Othona Community, Coast Road, Burton Bradstock DT6 4RN. Contact Robin 01308 897 130 / biodanza-bridport.co.uk

SATURDAY JANUARY 28TH

WOOTTON FITZPAINE: Nick Hennessey and Suunta - Fire in the North Sky. At Wootton Village Hall, 7.30pm. Suitable for ages 12+. Tickets £9, under 18 £7, family £28. Self service box office at the Charmouth Practice, info 01297 560872.

MONDAY JANUARY 30TH

BRIDPORT: Bridport Folk Dance Club's last Monday of the month, with Chris Toyne providing ther music, at 7.30-9.30 pm in the WI Hall, North Street. Enjoy folk dancing mainly in the English tradition from Playford-style to modern-day compositions at Bridport's long-established weekly club. No partner or previous experience required. Entry £4 on guest band nights. Contact Jane on 01308 898 002 or Monty on 01308 423 442.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 1ST

BRIDPORT: Bridport Library are starting a 'Reminiscence' group once a month. Join us for reminiscence, chat and company at Bridport Library. 2-3pm.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 9TH

DORCHESTER: The Thursday Group meeting at St George's Church Hall, Fordington. Speakers on a range of topics, followed by refreshments and time to talk to friends and make new ones. Held on the second Thursday of most months. The February meeting presentation will be by Martin Stephen of the National Trust, who will show pictures of Max Gate, Hardy's Cottage and Clouds Hill, all local properties. Start at 2.15pm and the charge is £1, which includes a biscuit and a cup of tea/coffee. All welcome. For more details call 01305 269834.

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Lunch with Gary? What a way to start the New Year!

I DON'T think I'm the only one who is pleased to see the back of 2016 and I'm trying to enter the New Year with a new found vigour. This has been helped by an email I received on Christmas Eve to invite me to have lunch with Gary Barlow. Ok, I'll admit, it's not an intimate candlelit affair and another 50 people will be joining us, but never the less, it made me let out a squeal with excitement (and a bit of wee, but I think it's the age I'm getting to!). The lunch is to promote his new musical, The Girls and I'm among a small number of journalist who have been invited to watch a rehearsal, meet the cast and interview both Mr. Barlow and his co-writer Tim Firth. The real Calendar Girls will also be there and the last time I met them they were an absolute hoot!

I'm also entering the final rehearsal stages for the pantomime Robinson Crusoe in Axminster. I'm looking forward to getting my beard on (no, I couldn't quite grow one in time!) and donning my special thigh slapping boots for my first local stage appearance in almost two years. You can't help but be affected (or infected!) by the exuberance of a young group of performers and Axminster Drama Club has an abundance of talented actors, who will ensure the production will be an energetic experience.

Energy is something I could do with after the over indulgence of the Christmas period, but as a former aerobics instructor, I don't envy those who work in the fitness industry at this time of year. So many customers begin with high hopes of changing their lifestyle, only to fall foul of the couch again by February. I'm going to try my best to get back to fitness, so the next time you see me, I'll probably be rippling with muscles!

I did manage to squeeze in a couple of theatre trips over the last week in order to feed my stagey addiction, which included David Bowie's Lazarus (bizarre and yet amazing) and the glorious Wicked (still spectacular), but otherwise, I've had a pretty quiet time and have enjoyed refereeing the teenagers (that's a lie, I haven't enjoyed it!).

Before my lunch with Mr. Barlow, I'm off to a new comedy club next week, which is situated in Richard Branson's Kensington Roof Garden. The venue looks beautiful, but I'm hoping it's not going to be too cold. I've also had an invite to the Royal Albert Hall to see Cirque du Soleil for the first time and I'll be watching a new play at the Trafalgar Studios about a terrorist attack in London (doesn't sound very cheery!)

Gary Barlow and Tim Firth with the cast of The Girls musical.

I'm also preparing my self for a flood of local shows over the next few weeks, as January and February are the busiest time for amdram. I'm looking forward to seeing the Membury Merrymakers and Axmouth children's Pantomime, which were both excellent last year. Thomas Hardye School is presenting the Madness musical Our House (which my daughter will be performing in), but sadly it's the same week as my panto, so I'll be missing out, but it looks like it will be one to watch.

You can read all of my reviews and interviews on our websites londonnewsonline.co.uk and viewnews.co.uk or you can follow me on Twitter for regular updates @NickySweetland

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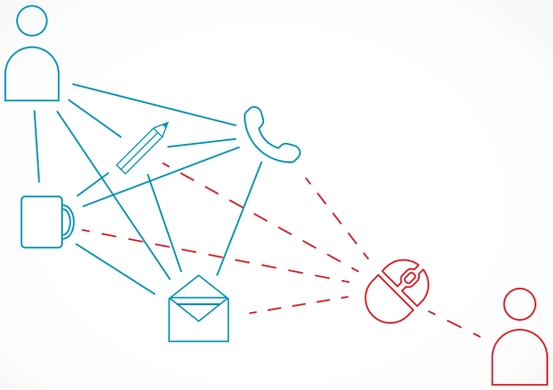

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King's Lynn Town	24	34
St Ives Town	27	34
Stratford Town	27	33
DORCHESTER TOWN	28	32
Basingstoke Town	27	32
WEYMOUTH	23	30
Kings Langley	27	28
Cirencester Town	29	24
St Neots Town	26	22
Hayes & Yeading Town	26	21
Cambridge City	27	19
Cinderford Town	27	11

Wessex Premier (42)	Pld	Pts
Moneyfields	25	57
Blackfield & Langley	24	48
PORTLAND UTD	24	47
AFC Portchester	24	47
Sholing	23	45
Team Solent	23	40
Brockenhurst	24	39
Horndean	22	35
Alresford Town	20	33
Newport IoW	24	32
Amesbury Town	24	31
Bashley	24	30
Lymington Town	23	29
Bemerton Heath Harl'	19	25
Hamworthy Utd	24	25
Andover Town	21	24
Bournemouth	23	24
Whitchurch Utd	22	20
Fawley	26	20
Fareham Town	23	19
Cowes Sports	23	19
Verwood Town	25	17

Dorset Premier (32)	Pld	Pts
BALTI SPORTS	18	43
Holt Utd	15	37
Swanage & Herston	16	36
Westland Sports	18	33
Hamworthy Recreation	17	32*
DORCHESTER SPORTS	16	29
Gillingham Town Res	15	25
Parley Sports	14	23
BRIDPORT RESERVES	18	23
Merley Cobham Sports	12	21
Blandford Utd	16	20
Sturminster Newton Utd	15	17
Wareham Rangers	15	15
Mere Town	18	14
Hamworthy Utd Reserves	18	11
Sherborne Town Reserves	16	8
Cranborne	17	3

Dorset Senior League (26)	Pld	Pts
Witchampton Utd	12	26
Milborne Port	14	25
DORCHESTER SP RES	10	24
Allendale	12	21
Shaftesbury Town Res	7	18
Corfe Mullen Utd	12	18
PORTLAND UTD RES	10	16
Wincanton Town Res	11	15
CHICKERELL UTD	12	14
Piddletrenthide Utd	10	13
Poole Borough	12	13
Boscombe Polonia	10	7
Blandford Utd Res	12	5
Westlands Sports Res	8	1

Dorset League Div 1 (26)	Pld	Pts
AFC Blandford	11	26
Mere Town Reserves	11	23
Corfe Castle	11	23
Broadstone	11	22
Wareham Rangers Res	9	19
Canford Utd	13	18
Wool & Winfrith	13	16
BALTI SPORTS RES	11	12
WEYMOUTH A	12	12
Parley Sports Res	11	12
Tisbury	8	10
Swanage & Herston Res	10	10
PORTLAND UTD YOUTH	9	8
PORTLAND TOWN	8	1

Dorset League Div 2 (22)	Pld	Pts
Piddlehinton Utd	12	29
Allendale Reserves	11	27
Broadmayne	12	22
Maiden Newton & Catt	10	19
PORTESHAM UTD	11	16
Owermoigne	10	16
Sturm Newton Utd Res	9	15
Stalbridge	8	13
Broadstone Res	12	10
CHICKERELL UTD RES	11	6
Milborne Port Res	7	3
PORTLAND TOWN RES	9	1

Dorset League Div 3 (22)	Pld	Pts
Sturminster Marshall	12	34
Okeford Utd	12	26
South Cheriton Utd	12	21
Allendale A	13	20
Marnhull	11	16
AFC Blandford Res	13	16
PORTLAND TOWN A	13	16
Pimperne Sports Society	13	14
Donhead Utd	11	13
Handley Sports	9	11
Corfe Mullen Utd Res	11	9
Wool & Winfrith Res	12	9

Dorset Div Four (22)	Pld	Pts
Swanage RBL	11	30
CHICKERELL UTD A	11	26
BRIDPORT A	8	20
PORTLAND TOWN B	12	19
Corfe Castle Res	10	16
Marnhull Res	7	12*
PORTESHAM UTD RES	11	11
Lytchett & Upton RT	10	11
Shillingstone	10	7
Wincanton Town A	8	5*
Wool & Winfrith A	5	2*
Crossways Spitfires	11	1

Dorset Football

WITH STUART BROOM

New Year fillip for Matthews

Weymouth 4 Cirencester Town 0
Evostik South Premier – att; 540

HAS the New Year signalled a change in Weymouth's fortunes?

After five successive draws manager Jason Matthews was looking for his side to prove their worth with a boosting victory, and they did so at a canter against a poor Centurions.

The visitors had two good opportunities before the Terras got into their stride, one forcing keeper Tom McHale to tip Tony Lee's effort over the top.

Finally midway through the first half Weymouth took the lead when Jordan Copp, who a minute earlier had squandered a good chance, fired home from the edge of the box, with the aid of a Ben Brown deflection.

Two minutes later they doubled the advantage. Chris Shephard who was brought down in the box, saw his spot kick and follow up saved by Centurions keeper Raajan Gill, but Copp slotted home the rebound.

Early in the second half Shephard had a chance to make amends when the Terras were awarded a second penalty, but once again Gill saved his effort.

Weymouth dominated the play and should have added more than one more to their tally before two substitutes combined; Stewart Yetton converting Charlie Davis' cross with seven minutes remaining.

They added a fourth in added time when the third substitute Stuart Fleetwood headed home to ease the pressure on Matthews, although he still needs to beat St Neots Town on Saturday to perhaps appease the fans.

Fighting Magpies earn deserved draw

Basingstoke 1 Dorchester Town 1
Evostik South Premier – att; 436

DESPITE the loss of three experienced players, Dorchester Town picked up the pieces of recent events, and took only two minutes to put the situation behind them by taking the lead.

With Mark Jermyn, Nick Crittenden, Jake Smeeton and on-loan Ollie Bassett all missing from the Boxing Day derby alongside the ill Chris Dillon, caretaker managers Stuart Heath and Nathan Walker drafted in several youngsters to replace them, and they came away from the Camrose with a well earned point.

Sol Ayunga, one of the replacements repaid managements faith by providing a superb through ball for Tom Blair to run on and finish with aplomb to give the Magpies the start they needed.

Although the full-time Dragons flared their nostrils a few times in the first half, a superb performance from keeper Shane Murphy kept them in the game, and the Magpies almost doubled their advantage when Neil Martin struck a post with a free kick.

The hosts had more of the second half and Sam Deadfield equalised just before the hour, but some excellent defending and more super saves from Murphy saw them make it six games unbeaten.

Brooks salvages point

Weymouth 2 Biggleswade 2
EvoStik South Premier – att; 573

WEYMOUTH manager Jason Matthews described this game as the first of three that could well define his future at the club, claiming that his side needed to take seven of the nine points on offer following a fourth successive draw in the Boxing Day derby with Dorchester.

In the end he might consider a fifth draw a good return after Calvin Brooks rescued them with an equaliser in the second minute of added time.

If the Terras boss is to meet his target he now has to beat Cirencester Town (2nd) and St Neots Town (7th) or the pressure will be on him.

Inih Effiong who has often show his talents whilst on visits to Dorset, once again was at his best, and in the 7th minute he put the Waders ahead, although it was a fairly simple affair, stabbing the ball home from close range after a recycled corner was returned into the home penalty area.

Weymouth have an equally talented player in Chris Shephard, and he set up the equaliser 10 minutes later when he beat his marker and rounded keeper Ian Brown to give Ben Thomson the easiest of tap-ins.

Both sides produced chances as the game evened out, although Thomson had a golden opportunity on 35 minutes when he completely mis-kicked from close range.

Shephard appeared the most likely source for Weymouth and Brown made a good save from him on the hour and ten minutes later McHale denied Rhys Hoenes at the other end.

However, with five minutes to go, the Waders regained the lead through Effiong, who this time showed sublime skills in dancing through the home defence and rounding McHale to pass the ball into goal.

It looked bleak for Matthews as the game drifted towards its conclusions, but Brooks produced a low strike from the edge of the box to earn a point.

Blues ease past Hammers

Portland Utd 3 Hamworthy Utd 0
Sydenhams Wessex Premier - att; 203

PORTLAND United comfortably eased past Hamworthy United to maintain their status as promotion contenders in the Sydenham Wessex Premier League at Grove Corner last Tuesday.

The Blues were in control throughout the game and barely gave their Dorset neighbours, now managed by former Weymouth boss Brendon King, a sniff at goal.

After a bright start they took the lead after ten minutes when the referee, Said Ouchene, spotted a handball inside the penalty box following a free kick. Lewis Clarke despatched the resultant spot kick.

Hammers' keeper Tommy Scott then produced an excellent save to stop Tom Richardson from extending the lead soon after, and although Portland dominated proceedings, the visiting defence kept them from scoring again before halftime.

Despite their superiority they didn't increase their lead until the introduction of substitute Max Buckler, who five minutes after his introduction on the hour, headed home Darren Watts' cross following a short corner routine.

Almost immediately from the restart it was game over as Richardson added a third to complete a comfortable victory, and one that with Sholing's game postponed, saw them move up to third and just a point behind second placed Blackfield & Langley.

THE annual Boxing Day charity game at Grove Corner once again proved a huge hit with just over £1,000 being raised for Weldmar Hospicecare.

The match between a Portland Old Boys Xl and Weymouth Old Boys which ended in a 4-4 draw, was held in memory of former Terras' boss and Portland player Gerry Gow, who lost his battle against cancer in October.

Golf

Festive fun on fairways

A SUNDAY MEDAL competition opened the Charminster Golf Club events in December.

Nigel Brinsley won with a return of 77/14/63 which led to a s one-shot handicap reduction. Roger Kellaway took second place with 88/15/67 and Graham Swingewood was third with 87/16/71.

The Wednesday Medal for Division One was won by Brian Frampton's 84/19/65 rewhich reduced his handicap to 18. Mark Boggust was second with 80/10/70. John Thompson (90/19/71) was third.

The Division Two result was a win for Charlie Dunn with 92/26/66. John Trott was second with 89/21/68, the lowest gross round. Third was Hugh McCowan with 90/28/71.

There were two Christmas Cracker Stableford events in which all competitors received a prize. The Winner of the Club version was Rob Rolls and for the Seniors, the winner was Colin Davis.

There were two Turkey Trot Stableford events. The Wednesday event was won by Peter Churchill with 38 points from his 14 handicap, which was reduced by one shot. Second, after countback, was Hugh McCowan with 34/28 and John Thompson (34/19) was third.

The Sunday event, the last of the year, was won by Roger Thompson with 41/13, ahead after countback from second placed Rob Rolls with 41/4. Roger Kellaway was third with 37/15.

The Three Counties team lost narrowly to Folke 3-2 at Wheathill in the Winter Cup.

Bowlers show generosity

◆ **HAPPY TO HELP:** Moonfleet Bowls Club selects the Club's Charity for the year at their annual general meeting and raises the monies with raffles, silent auctions and surpluses from it's social functions. This last year the Dorset Kidney Fund was chosen and Jennie Brown, the club's Social Organisor presented Mr Paul Bithell of the Kidney Fund with a cheque for £1725.42. The Kidney Fund supports local diseased kidney suffers and helps towards transport costs needed for the patients regular attendances to Bournemouth Hospital. Pictured above; (Centre three) Paul Bithell, Madge Churches (Club President) Jennie Brown surrounded by some of the Social team.

Hunter hangs on!

RACE three of the first day of Act 8 of the Extreme Sailing Series™ in Sydney saw Visit Madeira and Land Rover BAR Academy skippered by Weymouth's Neil Hunter both capsize.

At the time of the capsizes the wind was around 22 knots.The Extreme Sailing Series' safety protocol was immediately initiated and the event's Safety Team was immediately on site to provide assistance, as were the teams' support boats.

Hunter said: "This is our eighth event competing in the Extreme Sailing Series and our first capsize. What is important is that all safety and operational procedures were followed correctly, all the crew were accounted for and the boat safely righted.

We were soon back on the dock to de-brief and check over the boat and get her ready for the next race."

Extreme Sailing Series™ (Act 8, Sydney) standings after day one, three races; 1st Alinghi (SUI) 34 points, 2nd Oman Air (OMA) 31, 3rd Red Bull Sailing Team (AUT) 29, 4th SAP Extreme Sailing Team (DEN) 23, 5th RNZYS Lautrec Racing (NZL) 21, 6th Land Rover BAR Academy (GBR) Neil Hunter, Chris Taylor, Will Alloway, Sam Batten, Rob Bunce 20, 7th Visit Madeira (POR)18, 8th Team Australia (AUS) 17.

Lyme Regis Skittles

RESULTS w/e Dec 17th. **Ladies**; Rollercoasters (+BL) bt Wild Pins (game given), Generations 293 Hot Gossips 328 (+BL), Smashers 329 Wootton Wobblers 333 (+BL), Skittso's 313 (+BL) La Crème 311.

Men's; Marksmen 367 Trappers 307 (+BL), Wreckers 337 (+BL) Flyers 353, Anthill Mob 372 (+BL) Rousdon Rebels 308.

Men's Div One	Pd	Pts	BL
No Hopers	7	14	12
Marksmen	8	14	10
Flyers	8	12	4
Wreckers	8	6	8
Young Guns	7	6	8
Trappers	7	6	4
Anthill Mob	8	4	12
Clueless	7	4	2
Rousdon Rebels	8	2	8

Men's Div Two	Pd	Pts	BL
Roadrunners	6	11	8
President's Men	6	9	8
Miscellaneous	6	9	4
Alleytwits	6	6	8
Tornadoes	6	4	2
British Legion	6	2	4
Shakers	6	1	6

Ladies	Pd	Pts	BL
Wootton Wobb	7	10	11
Skittso's	6	10	10
Rollercoasters	7	8	10
Hot Gossips	5	6	6
Smashers	7	6	5
Wild Pins	5	6	5
La Crème	6	2	2
Generations	7	2	1

Bridport Indoor Bowls

Win double at Wellworthy

BRIAN Iversen, Keith Brooks & Chris Thorne and Martin Wilton, Bob Taylor & Brian Rumble picked up maximum points in the Purbeck Trophy League with fine 19-11 and 14-8 wins at WELLWORTHY.

Brian Baker, Bob Hill & Mike Fletcher and Barry Mapson, Ken Sanger & Phil Hedges secured maximum points for the A Team at the Dorset Bowls Resort in the County's over 60s league.

Geoff Hansen, Reg Dodd & Paul Hallett and Mike Parsons, Keith Peraux & Roger Cowmeadow picked up maximum points for the B team at WELLWORTHY winning 24-13 and 18-14 respectively.

Bridport's friendly's mixed squad have been on good form of late having defeated SHERBORNE 85-70 and STOUR VALE 76-62. Bernard Perry, Sandra Hargett, David Jenkin & Mel Hargett and Sylvia and Mike Fletcher, Sharon Heath & Brian Parker were top rinks against Sherborne winning 26-18, 23-15 while Beryl Stork, Gerry Moss, Nova Varney & Ken Sanger won 17-16 and Sue Jenkin, Les Heath, Julie Bright & Peter Varney went down 19-21.The Fletcher's, Nova Varney & Harry Gray were top rink against Stour Vale, finishing 4, 1, 2 to win 22-14.

Pam Gray, Derek Earwood, Margaret Fifield & Mel Hargett won 19-12. Peter Varney, Erica Sarson, Brian Pratt & Jenny Harding won 18-16, but Sandra Hargett, Brian Suffling, Pat & Roger Cowmeadow lost 17-20 after dropping two counts on each of the last two ends.

Bridport Darts

Division One	Pld	Pts
Rob's Robbers	9	17
BSC	9	13
Nomads	9	13
Well Hung Clocks	8	11
Five Sticky Fingers	9	10
Hands of Time	9	8
Nags Head A	9	5
Noth'n But Treble	9	5
Les Miserables	8	5
Rubber Johns	9	1

180s; Tony Young & Terry Prowse x5, Nigel Lamb x4, Steve Garrett & Ryan Cross x3, six players x2, nine players x1.

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Young Darters	9	15
One for the Vikings	9	13
The Stingers	9	12
Odds or Us	9	12
Respect-de-Bull	8	10
Elders	9	9
Dat Team	9	5
Otter Rotters	9	4
No Direction	8	4
Anchor Five	9	4

180s; Ashley Parker, Shane Parker, Dan Rawlings, Andy Reid & Stuart Alner all x2, 10 players x1.

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Mis Fits	9	17
Poachers	9	15
Dart Vaders	9	12
The Surgeons	9	10
Midnight Runners	9	8
Anchor Vale Viewers	9	8
Tiger Bees	9	7
Flashes Fives	9	6
Royal Hawks	9	6
Time Bombs	9	1

180s; Paul Gumbrill x2, Len Challis, Ash Hawker, S.Bowditch, P.Rowley, Howard Sellick & Danny Sorrell all x1.

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Dodgers	9	15
No Chance	9	13
Wicked Team Name	9	13
The Nameless	9	11
Whamo	9	10
-1-11	9	10
Odds & Sods	9	7
Sorted Odds	9	6
Hopeful Bashers	9	5
The Royal Nuts	9	0

180s; Andy Page, T.Bird, Micky Brock, Billy Hallett & Roly Steer all x1.

Ladies Div One	Pld	Pts
Anchor Aces	14	26
Queens Bees	14	24
Arrows Awry	14	23
Sue's Rebels	14	18
Odd One Out	14	17
Clocking On	14	17
Queenies of the Club	14	15
Castaways	13	13
Against the Odds	14	9
Charlie's Angels	14	9
Don's Damsels	14	8
Good Mates	14	7
Drunking Aware	14	5
Tiger Stripes	13	3

180s; Janet Collins, Sue Brock, Liz Vowells & Kate Loasby all x1.

Bridport Crib

Table	Pd	Pts	BL
Durbeyfield	10	84	10
Anchor Inn	10	82	17
H & Anchor B	11	81	12
Oddfellows	11	81	14
Crown Inn B	10	79	16
Ilchester Arms	10	74	15
George, WBay	10	66	16
Crown Inn A	9	64	17
H & Anchor A	9	64	12

Lyme Pool

Table	Pld	Pts
Pot Nots	6	15
Hunters Hot Pots	6	15
Wozo's Warriors	6	15
Smack the Rack	7	13
Drunken Sailors	6	10
Nags Head Trotters	7	9
Old Cobbies	6	3
Real Talbot	6	3
Ranger & Friends	6	0

Bridport FC

WITH STUART BROOM

Bees suffer Boxing Day blues

Street 5 Bridport 3

Toolstation Premier – att; 144

TRADITIONALLY this fixture has been fast, furious and full of goals, and this Boxing Day meeting at the Tannery Ground lived up to its billing.

Although Bees manager Ad\giving the striker a free run towards goal, and he pulled the ball back for Lewis Waldy to pick his spot to level at 2-2 at the interval.

Both Butcher and Leigh Bailey had chances to put the Bees back in front early in the second half, before Murray scored his second for the hosts with a snap shot.

But back came the Bees and the impressive former Cobbler Bailey squared the game again on 71 minutes, with a great far post header from Butcher's corner.

The introduction of sub Dale Hunt once again turned the game Street's way, and his run set up O'Hare to beat his man before firing into the corner. He then combined with O'Hare, and when the latter's shot came back off the crossbar, Hunt was on hand to fire home the rebound and seal the points for the Cobblers.

Fricker added: "I think the most frustrating thing was conceding with just seconds to go in the five minutes added in the first half which seemed excessive.

"That killed us a little bit, because I think that if we had gone in 2-1 ahead at half time it would have given us something more to cling on to.

"We had a couple of chances early in the second half before they got their third, that if we had scored with one of those, you never know what might have happened."

Bridport Golf

Veterans in close battle for second place

by Peter Crowter

THE veterans enjoyed the best day of the week for their Greensome Stableford on Thursday when 24 two-man teams turned out in plenty of sunshine and little wind.

The winning team of Dougie Howells (19) & Alan Bentley (25) were three points clear of the rest of the field with their 41 points.

The next three teams all came in with 38 points and, after count-back, the runners-up were Brian Fearon (12) & John Pacey (15). Taking third place were Bob Harding (16) & Leonard Green (25) and finally fourth place went to Jim Thorpe (16) & Colin Clark (25).

Ladies Section *by Di Neal*

CHRISTMAS was celebrated in style on Saturday and Tuesday when nine holes of golf were followed by a delicious lunch on both days.

New captain Janie Dowling donated the prizes. Avril Brown & Ruth Dononan came in with the most points on Saturday.

The winners on Tuesday had the pleasure of being given their prizes by Phil Winton the club captain for 2016/17.

The prize winners were Nicky Stone on the front nine and Toshika Ricketts on the back nine.

A hidden partners resulted in a win for Carrol Horne and Wendy Newton

First bragging rights to the President!

LYME Regis Gig Club held their first ever 'The President's Trophy' race at noon on December 31st,

The President's crew coxed by Kerry Maguire were in Prospero and the Chairman's crew coxed by Diana Dixon were in Black Ven. Both boats had a mixed crew of male and female competitive rowers, veteran rowers and a junior rower.

Sea conditions were excellent and only a slight breeze and there was a decent row out to the start line, over at the Charmouth bouy before the two boats raced back in a straight line into Victoria pool.

There is something spectacular about a gig race and this one didn't disappoint!

There were roars from the coxswains, the sounds of the six oars all moving in unison, and calls of encouragement from the spectators on the harbour wall.

It was neck and neck race the whole way with the President's boat just pipping the Chairman's boat to the finish line.

The trophy was presented to the winning team in the Harbour Inn after the race, and this will now be made an annual event.

Lyme Gig Club would like the thank sponsors, the Harbour Master and all who supported the event.

The club are continuing preparations for the new season which starts in the spring with training both on land and at sea.

◆ **ANNUAL EVENT:** The Chairman's and President's Crews pictured with the President's trophy

Although an active membership of over 150 local rowers is in place, the club is keen to welcome new members of all ages, from those who would like to take on the cut and thrust of racing throughout the south west, to those who'd rather enjoy a steady social row in Lyme Bay, plus everyone in between.

Go to www.lymeregisgigclub.com for details.

Boxing

Fight night boost for Kingfisher Ward

THE fight to save Kingfisher Ward has been boosted by hundreds of pounds, thanks to Weymouth's Riviera Hotel.

More than £1,300 was raised for Dorchester Hospital's children's facility, courtesy of a martial arts night held at the Bowleaze venue.

The event, which featured junior members from King Tiger Club, was organised by parents of youngsters whose lives have been saved by doctors and nurses on Kingfisher the popular ward.

Over 200 fight fans packed the hotel's Ballroom to watch 16 bouts of kick-boxing with competitors as young as five years old taking part.

Riviera assistant bar manager, Craig Elliott, whose daughter Destiny was admitted to Kingfisher after contracting RSV bronchiolitis, said: "What a truly wonderful night it was. The fighting was really entertaining and everyone had a great time.

"But most importantly we were able to raise a huge sum of money for the Kingfisher Ward.

"The Kingfisher Ward has a special place in some many people's hearts, mine included. If wasn't for the amazing work carried out by staff there my daughter would not be alive."

The cash raised came from entrance fees and from a grand raffle made possible by big-heated local businesses.

Craig added: "The generosity of people has been overwhelming.

"There are so many kind people and business owners out there – too many to mention - and I send my sincere thanks and appreciation to all of them.

"But I must make special mention to fellow parent, Micky Mooney. This was Micky's brainchild as he wanted to say thanks for all the treatment his young son Freddie has been receiving at Kingfisher over recent years."

◆ **WONDERFUL EVENING:** There was a crowd of over 200 in attendance at the Riviera Centre with all of the youthful boxers enjoying the support.

Bridport Skittles

CUP Fixtures

Mens Pairs (R2)

Tonight, January 4th

Loders Arms -T Cleal & A Way; B Lee & N Lee; C Willcox & N Willcox; J Cook & M Symonds; A Paulley & R Frampton; B Chapple & M Barnes; G Brooks & T Luter; S Pitcher & A Cauldwell.

Bridport FC - R Clarke & P Symonds; L Dare & C Barnes; S White & C Wright; D Fox & P Cross; B Seadon & C Taylor; R Herbert & G Herbert; B Churchill & C Churchill; J Peach & D Langridge.

Friday, January 6th

Ilchester Arms - M Huxter & N Gurd; K Groves & R Norman; R Tompkins & H Tompkins; S Gale & L Farnham; P Scott & M Griffiths; C Langdon & F Pomeroy; H Mills & M Horton; A Huxter & N Pye.

Bradpole Club - R Pincombe & I Pincombe; E Williams & A Northover; M Gudge & D Gudge; P Cheeseman & C Hopkins; M Hooper & J Symes; E Tuck & D Tuck; M Powell & S Lee; D Cowburn & G Hiatt.

Losers Cup C&D (R2)

Thursday, January 5th

Strawpeedoes v Yo Yo's, Alleycats v Pioneers.

Friday, January 6th

Stingers v Pinbashers, NBC v Hidden Talent.

Mixed Pairs (R2)

Tuesday, January 10th

Clock - M&N Powell; J Parsons & A Fisher; A Paulley & H Varndell; A&J Huxter; S Tompkins & H Tompkins; N Paulley & J Symes; M Hansford & M Horton; M&C Huxter; D&C Horton.

Wednesday, January 11th

Loders Arms - K&L Groves; M Gudge & S Newman; E&N Tuck; S Gale & N Broad; M&E Hooper; T&S Luter; C Willcox & T Cornish; S Beal & J Cake.

Division A	Pld	Pts
Shipfaced	10	19
Rockets	10	14
Denhay	10	12
Nelson Nobblers	10	12
Rejects	10	12
Masters	10	11
Wanderers	9	10
Rough Eight	10	8
Broadoak	10	6
Slingers	10	6
U Know the Blokes	9	6
Lively Lads	10	2

Division B	Pld	Pts
The Dingles	10	15
Miss the Ball	9	14
Countrymen	9	10
Outsiders	7	9
Bangers	9	8
Lost in Time	8	8
Originals	9	8
Survivors	8	8
Castouts	9	6
Dingbats	6	4
Aussies Lot	8	2

Division C	Pld	Pts
Gerryatrics	10	20
NBC	16	16
LHS	10	14
Pioneers	12	12
Wickers	12	12
Unknowns	10	10
Brandy Snaps	10	8
Whiskey Chasers	9	8
Groundhogs	9	6
Yo Yo's	10	7
Stingers	10	5

Division D	Pld	Pts
Alcoholics	10	20
Alleycats	10	16
Strawpeedoes	10	16
BFC	10	14
Featherbeds	9	12
Let em Roll	9	10
Firebirds	9	8
Hidden Talent	8	6
Offcuts	9	4
Pinbashers	8	4

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INSIDE: Local festive sport round-up

Honours even as Jem and Critts bow out

Dorchester Town 1 Weymouth 1
Evostik South Premier - att; 2,033

by Stuart Broom
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It wasn't the most pulsating derby ever, but it was one of the most poignant as manager Mark Jermyn and his assistant Nick Crittenden ended their tenures at The Avenue.

Another cut to the budget, and a further one due in January appear to have forced the pairs hands in their efforts of trying to rebuild the Magpies team.

Both started the game on the subs bench, but came on as the Magpies tried to force the winner.

There was a final twist as captain Jake Smeeton also announced that the game was his last and that he had agreed terms with Poole Town.

Shane Murphy gave the home fans a nervous moment early on when he just managed to clear the ball from the inrushing Stuart Fleetwood after he failed to control a back pass.

Dorchester's first threat on the Terras goal saw Franklyn Clarke's shot from the edge of the box charged down, before Calvin Brooks blocked Ben Wood's effort.

Murphy redeemed himself when stretching to turn away Ben Thomson's effort, before Fleetwood could only find the side netting.

It looked like the sides would go in level at the break as it moved into added time, but Tom Blair beat Mark Cooper down the right before cutting in and finding Lewis Morgan 14 yards from goal.

As he went to go past Brooks the Terras captain hooked his leg around Morgan's right, giving referee Scott Jackson and easy decision. Nathan Walker calmly sent keeper McHale the wrong way from the resulting penalty.

Tails up after the break, Dorchester might have doubled their advantage as first Ollie Bassett set up Clarke but McHale diverted his shot over the bar.

Then Clarke returned the compliment for the Yeovil loanee, playing his last game before returning to Huish Park, but his shot was held by McHale.

Whilst the Magpies appeared to be edging the contest, Weymouth equalised just after the hour with a piece of Chris Shephard magic.

He picked up the ball on the angle of the penalty area before driving forward and curling a magnificent shot around Murphy and just inside the far post.

Revitalised the Terras also could have won the game, but Murphy thwarted Jordan Copp, and then beat away Thomson's angled effort.

The introduction of Crittenden and Jermyn brought a huge ovation from the crowd, and the manager's last contribution was to stop Thomson spoiling his day with a last ditch tackle deep into added time.

Both left the field, together with Smeeton, through a guard of honour at the final whistle.

◆ NEW BOSS: Craig Laird *Photo from DTFC*

Magpies appoint Craig Laird

CRAIG Laird has been appointed manager of Dorchester Town to succeed Mark Jermyn who resigned following the Boxing Day derby against Weymouth.

The Magpies made the announcement on New Year's Day, although he did not take charge until yesterday (Tuesday), with interim bosses Stuart Heath and Nathan Walker having took charge of their Bank Holiday 1-1 draw at Basingstoke.

The former Bridgwater Town, Weston-super-Mare and Yate Town boss hopes to return the club to its former glories starting with a home match against Banbury United on Saturday (3pm ko).

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